

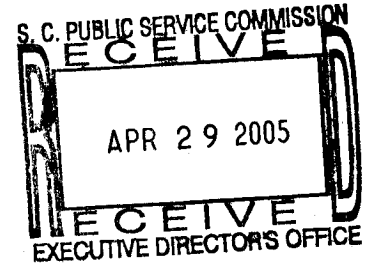
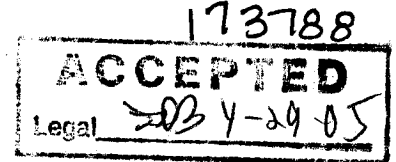
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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

April 28, 2005

The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
P.O. Drawer 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Request for a Night Hearing

Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to Request Forfeiture of the Bond and to Request Authority to Petition the Circuit Court for Appointment of a Receiver.

PSC Docket No.: 2005-110-W/S

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has filed a petition with the Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking a forfeiture of the bond on file for Piney Grove Utilities, Inc. ("Piney Grove"). The petition also requests that the Commission grant ORS the authority to petition the Circuit Court for appointment of a receiver for Piney Grove.

Piney Grove currently provides water and sewer service to customers located in the Lloydwood subdivision in West Columbia, South Carolina. As evidenced in the filing of the petition, Piney Grove has been unable to provide adequate and proper service to its customers. Further, due to the inadequate service and the resulting malfunctioning of the wastewater treatment system, the Department of Health and Environmental Control requested and was granted authority to take over and operate the system for seven days by the Honorable Marc H. Westbrook.

As a result of these recent events, we have had legislative interest in holding a night hearing to allow the affected customers to be able to present their concerns to the Commission. Further, ORS believes scheduling such a hearing would enable the residents of Lloydwood, who normally would not be able to attend a daytime hearing, the opportunity to participate in this process. Therefore, ORS respectfully requests that the Commission schedule a night hearing at a location in West Columbia where members of the public may be heard with respect to the pending matter concerning Piney Grove.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben P. Mustian", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Benjamin P. Mustian  
Attorney

cc: Louis Lang, Esquire  
Reece Williams